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Mr. Patrick Coulston, Program Director
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4001 North Wilson Way
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Subject: Request for Interagency Ecological Program Involvement in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Fisheries Resources Assessment Process

Dear Mr. Coulston:

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program is in the process of developing a multi-agency and stakeholder comprehensive fisheries resources assessment process. The information developed from this process will be used in the programmatic assessment of the three proposed CALFED alternatives. Numerous agency representatives have recommended the involvement of the Interagency Ecological Program (IEP), for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Estuary in this assessment process. In response to this recommendation, we request IEP participation in the fishery assessment process, including appropriate IEP member attendance, discussion at various meetings, and review of documents.

Ms. Wendy Halverson Martin, of my staff, will be contacting you to coordinate IEP involvement in our fisheries assessment process. I have enclosed copies of the information we have provided to agency and stakeholder representatives to date for your review and files. Thank you for your assistance in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program.

Sincerely,

Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

Enclosures

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

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